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REMARKS

At the time of the Action, all pending claims were allowed with the exception of Claims 23, 24, 32 and 50, which were rejected under Section 102(b), and Claim 26, which was deemed allowable but was objected to for dependence on a rejected base claim. Above, Claim 23 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of allowable Claim 26, which should render Claim 23 allowable. Claims 24 and 32 depend from Claim 23 and now should similarly be allowable. Claim 50 has been canceled. As such, all claims now recite subject matter that the Action indicates to be allowable.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is encourage to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for resolution of any outstanding issues.

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